Notable Year for Foot-Ball and One Full of Many Surprises.

HARVARD'S POOR SHOWING Safe to Bet That Vigorous Re-

form Will be Instituted at Cambridge Before Next Year.

(Special to The Tin. uctt.)

NEW YORK, Nov. 2t.—With the Cornell-University of Pennsylvania game Thanksgiving Day and the Army-Navy same Saturday, the foot-ball season of 1003 will come to an end. It has been a remarkable season in many respects, the most notable being the miserable showmost notable being the miserable showing made by Harvard. That such men as compose the Crimson eleven should be besten by second-rate teams like Dartmouth and Amhorst, and barely escaped defeat at the hands of the Carlisle Indicate that something is wrong at Soidlers Field. Whether the difficulty is in the inability to play together as a tann or is with the coaches, it is hard to say, but it is a safe bet that there will be some vigorous foot-ball reforming at Cambridge before the next season opens. . . .

The honors of the season go to Princeton, decisively. She has not lost a game during the season, something none of the ethers can say, and only once has her goal been crossed, and that by Yale. Her attack has been up to the mark, her defense well nigh perfect and she has had De Witt. With this combination it is no wonder that Old Nassaution it is not not not not not the language of the Missouri classic, "You'll have to show me."

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foot-ball honors. Her play has been ragged and without the consistency of that of her conquerors, but she has put up a prime article of foot-ball nevertheless. Columbia claims third place, and an analysis of the team's play shows she has good grounds for the claim. Harvard makes the last of the big four.

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The Army and Navy game will attract a great crowd and much enthusiasm. simply because it is the Army and Navy game. Here, too, the odds seem all one way, and if appearances and previous play count for anything, the men from Mest Point should defeat the men from Annapolis by a decisive score and with ease. The sallors are working desperately hard, however, and if it should happen that the soldiers, over-confident, have slacked off in their practice, the future admirsts may be able to put up a stiff argument when they meet on Franklin Field.

There is talk of arranging next season There is talk of arranging next season a game between the Eastern and Western foot-ball champions. The matter has not as yot gotten beyond the stage of talk, but it is believed there is a fair chance of its being brought about. Such a game would be worth going several miles to see, and if played, say, in New York and Chicago alternately, would attract record-breaking crowds.

WONDERFUL PROGRESS.

The Improvements in the Northern Neck Section Phenomenal
(Special to The Times-Dispatch.)
HEATHSVILLE, VA., Nov. 21.—The

progress made by the Northern Neck in the past few years is the subject of comment with business men throughout this section and in most parts of the State. Drummers and other business men, who have traveled this section for many years, claim that no plece of country, sit-uated as far from any manufacturing center as this section is, has progressed as the Northern Neck has in the past

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This progress is to be seen especially in Northumberland county. Farms that would have brought from fifteen hundred to two thousand dollars a few years ago, will bring more than double those sums now. The farms here are steadily improving, as is shown by the larger yields made every year. A large class of the poor people, who, a few years ago were tenants on poor lands, paying large rents, now own modest little farms, which they make a good living.

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But the improvement of land is not the only progress this section has made, all business enterprises having also advanced in size and wealth. The number of storehouses in Northumberland has more than doubled in the past few years. In the lower part of the county, on the Wicomico River and its creeks, are to be seen a large number of fish guano factories. The number of these, built by Messrs, Snow & Fallin, of this place, on Indian Creek, is reported to be doing remarkably well now, all the finest kind of menhaden fish being caught that they can handle. All over the county, at every little cross-roads village, within assy reach of navigable water, may be seen large canning establishments. This is comparatively a new industry for this section of the country, a few years ago there being hardly a tomato factory in the whole county. It has been said on good authority that Northumberland has a larger number of canning houses in successful operation than any other piece of country of "like size" in the State. The goods canned by these establishments are pronounced to be the best in market, and this is easily seen by the fact that they command the highest prices wherever they are sold.

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For the past few weeks an old colored woman, named Hayes, and her daughter have been traveling through the lower part of this county, stopping to preach at every colored church and meeting house. This woman claims that she can cure the sick by prayers. For the healing of these Individuals, she demands small sums of money, which, she says, will be put aside until enough is collected, when she will proceed against the new Constitution of Virginia, which, she claims, is illegal.

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Prohibition in the South.

The significant thing about the prohib-The significant thing about the prohibnion movement in the South, which is of
especial interest to Northerners, is the
lact that the two great parties appear to
be doing the work and bearing the burden in the interest of civic order and
public welfare, although the political
leaders publicly give credit to the Piomotionists. It is also declared by Southerners to be "a white man's campaign."

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Cases Disposed of by the Supreme Court of Appeals

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Right of a City to Make Such is Upheld-Some Other Cases of Much Interest.

The Supreme Court of the State of Virgina yesterday handed down many opinlons in cases reviewed by it. Among the
number were the following:

W. O. Adams vs. the City of Roanole;
from the Hustings Court of the City of
Roanole; opinion by Judge Cardwell,
affirming the Judgment of the lower court.
This case is one of great interest to every
municipality, involving the right of a
city to levy an assessment upon property owners to meet the cost of
sewer construction in the section
of the city in which the property so assessed is located. The contentions of the
appellant and the court's ruling thereon
are summarized in the concluding paragraph as follows:

"That the plaintiff in error had the notice required by the statute and that the
statute is not in conflict with the Fourteenth amendment to the Constitution, as
interpreted by this and other courts, we
have already shown. The record discloses no evidence introduced by him to
show that his property was not benefited
at all by the improvement, or that the
assessment against it is in excess of the
special benefits derived from the improvemont, while quite a number of witnesses were introduced in behalf of the city,
and all concur in the statement that the
assessment against the property is not
in excess of the benefits received. Upon
the whole we are of opinion that the
judgment of the Hustings Court of the
odity of Roanoke should be affirmed.

The opinion in the case is a voluminous
one, covering twenty-one typewritten
pages.

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In the case of samuel L. Sanger vs. the Chesapeake and Ohio Railway Company, from the Circuit Court of Augusta county, the opinion of the court, delivered by Judge R. H. Cardwell, reverses the Judgment of the trial court and remands the case for trial.

This action was brought by Sanger to recover of the Chesapeake and Ohio Railway \$500 damages alleged to have been sustained by the plaintiff by reason of the killing of three horses by a train. In his declaration plaintiff fixed the value of the three horses killed at \$455, and damages at \$45 for being deprived of the use of said horses, making \$500, and avers that the killing of the horses was due to negligence of the railroad company in not maintsining a fence at the point where the horses were killed. The defendant demurred to the declaration on two grounds: That the declaration does not aver that plaintiff was the owner of the land at the place at which the horses entered upon the railroad, and that the provisions of section 1233 of the Code were solely for the benefit and protection of adjoining landowners; that the defendant was under no obligations to fence its trach at any point where the same adjoined a public highway. The trial court, sustained this domurrer, whereupon the plaintiff appealed.

The court, in-jits opinion, holds that the declaration sets out a good cause of action, and that the demurrer thereto should have been overruled. The judgment of the Circuit Court is, therefore, reversed and annulled, the domurrer overruled and the cause romanded.

Zirkle vs. Southern.

Zirkle vs. Southern. In the case of Abram Zirkle vs. the Southern Railway, from the County Court In the case of Abram Zirkle vs. the Southern Railway, from the County Court of Shenandoah, the opinion of the court is written by Judge Whittle, and affirms the judgment of the lower court. This is a writ of error to an order of the court condemning certain land of Zirkle's for railway purposes. The plaintiff in error denied the jurisdiction of the court for reasons set forth. One of these is that the resolution provided for in the statut's was never adopted; second, that the Southern Railway made no attempt to purchase the land in question before instituting condemnation proceedings. The court rules that the first objection has no application in this case, and that the second is not sustained by the evidence. The court holds that the Legislature has expressly delegated to railway companies the power of eminent domain, and that in the exercise of that power they represent the sovereignty of the State and decide within cortain limitations what and how much land they will condemn tor their purposes. Within these limitations is if discretion is practically absolute. The courts may supervise the exercise of that power, but they cannot invade the bounds set by the Legislature. A railway built for the purpose of reaching an industrial enterprise, as in this case, is for a public use, and the company is entitled to exercise the power of eminent domain in acquiring property necessary for its construction, providing the general public has the right to use it. Finally the court holds that the order complained of is without error and is affirmed.

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Reed and McCormick vs. Gold.

In Reed and McCormick vs. Thomas D Gold, receiver, from the Circuit Court of Clarks county, the opinion is written by Judge Keith, president of the court, and affirms the Circuit Court. The opinion is a voluminous one of twenty typewill-ten pages. This case grows out of the land boom and subscriptions to a land company, the defendant being sued as a delinquent stockholder of the Berryville Land and Improvement Company by the receiver, the plaintiff in the original suit. Gold served written notice on Reed and McCormick, in obedience to the order of the court in a chancery suit, that he would ask for indigment for \$41,003. The defendants de de de to the notice, stating three causes of denurrer. The court holds that the denurrer in the case was properly overruled, holding that a motion for a indigment under the statute is an action at law, where a notice takes the place of a writ and declaration. The notice sufficiently describes and sets out the cause for action. The other ground for demurrer is equally without merit. The learned judge carefully considered a dozen other technical points imposed by the plaintiff in error, and with ample authorities to sustain him, dismisses each in turn. Concluding his very exhaustive and learned opinion, the judge concludes: "That the court rendered judgment upon the demurrer to the evidence in favor of the defendant in error is also assigned as error. We have considered at length the questions of law arising upon the record, and do not care to prolong this opinion by an unprofitchle discussion of facts. We are minaful of the rule linvoked applicable to demurrers to evidence, and we are of opinion that, so considered, the evidence was insufficient to support a verdict for plaintiffs in error, and that upon the whole case there was no error in the judgment of the Circuit Court, which is affirmed."

Rau vs. Shaver.

In Henry M. Rau vs. Erasmus A. Shaver, from the Circuit Court of Rocking. Reed and McCormick vs. Gold.

In Henry M. Rau vs. Erasmus A. Shaver, from the Circuit Court of Rockingham, Judge Keith delivers the opinion the court, reverses the indement of the trial court. In this case Erasmus Shaver filed a bill to enforce payment of a judgment against E. J. Shuffer, reciting that

three certain pleces of realty were conveyed by deed to Annie E. Shaffer, wife of E. J. Shaffer; that such conveyances were as to her voluntary, ina consideration for each having moved from her husband, did charges that they were miere devices on the part of E. J. Shaffer, in which Annie E. Shaffer participated, to defraud his creditors. The case was tried and a decroe was entared holding that the conveyances were made in fraud of the rights of the complainant. The decree, further directed that the case be referred to a master commissioner, with instructions to ascertain and report the liens upon the property in the order of their priority, and its fee simple and annual value.

Then Rau, plaintiff in error in this case, filed his potition. In this he sets forth that he created a bark mill and extract works at Luray and entered into contract with E. J. Shaffer to take charge of it. He furnished E. J. Shafter, agent for the purposes of building the plant and buying the machinery, and took a lien upon the property. The prayer of petitioner is that he may be made a party to the suit of Shaver vs. Shaffer, and that the decree of October 27, 1900, may be reviewed, vacated and set aside. The lien given was upon the Luray Caverns to secure that for the advances made by him. The truth of the averments of the petition were conceded, and this being the case the court holds that the potitioner was entitled to the relief prayed for. The decree appealed from sustained the demurrer and diamissed Rau's politioner was entitled to the relief prayed for. The decree appealed from sustained the demurrer to appellant's petition; that such decree should be reversed and that Rau should be made a party defendant, and in the meanting the operation of the access of October 27, 1900, is suspended, and that the appellant may recover costs against Erasmus A. Shaver.

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In the cause of John D. Flunkett vs. A. G. Bryant and others, from the Circuit Court of Nolson county, Judge Harrison delivers the opinion of the court. Affirming the lower court. In this case Plunkett claimed the estate of his wile, who died intestate and childless, upon a statement made by him that he advanced the money with which she effected to building on the land, with the specific agreement that he and his son by a first marriage would become owners of the tract of land under her will. The will was never executed, and Plunkett and his son sued for possession of the land under this parol agreement. From a decree of the court overruiling their domurrers the husband of the deceased appealed. The court held that Plunkett had not proved a contract, and sustained the lower court in overruing his demurrer. The decree appealed from is affirmed.

Charlottesville vs. Stratton.

Charlottesville vs. Stratton. In the cause of the city of Charlottes-ville vs. Thomas H. Stratton's adminis-tration, from the Circuit Court of Albo-marle, the opinion of the court is written by Judge Whittle and affirms the judg-ment of the lower court. Stratton, intes-tate of the defendant in error, recovered judgment of the city of Charlottesville

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for injuries sustained as a result of an accident alleged to have been caused by a defective surface drain in the driveway of a street. Stratton died after recovery of the judgment, and it was revived in the name of the administrator, at the instance of the judgment debtor. To that judgment a writ of error was awarded. The court, after carefully reviewing the testimony in the case, holds that the judgment complained of was without error and is affirmed.

Shreckhise vs. Wiseman.

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In the cause of R. S. Shreckhise ve. Susan E. Wiseman, from the Circuit Court of Augusta county, Judge R. Ii. Cardwell delivers the opinion of the count, which affirms the judgment of the trial court. This is an interesting case. Richard F. Humphreys, an old man, owning fifteen acres of land, had the same surveyed and divided into five equal parts, with the purpose of dividing it equally among his five children, of whom the appellee was one. He then executed deeds to the children conveying the lots, and gave the deeds in trust to Amanda Shreckhise, whose son, J. Samuel Shreckhise, whose son, J. Samuel Shreckhise, had surveyed the land and prepared the deeds, with the understanding that she was to deliver to each child his deed to his fifth of the estate after his (the granters) death. The father afterwards lived with his children, but long before his death became a hopeless invalid, physically and mentally. While thus a physical and mental wreck, J. Samuel Shreckhise, coerced his mother into delivery of the deeds to the old man, Humphreys, itellings her she would be prosecuted if she did not. The deeds to several of the children's interest in the estate of their father were then destroyed, and shortly before his death the weak-minded invalid was induced to destroy the deeds formerly given to his children and to laze drawn a new deed conveying the property to R. S. Shreckhise, sister of the appeir

lant, for a consideration. This new deed was delivered to Shreckhise. The testimony shows that the appelled did not know of the drawing of the deed and of the conveyance under it of the property formerly convoyed to her, but having been shown the original deed conveying the property to her, felt secure in its possession. The Circuit Court, upon hearing the cause, granted a Joerce setting up the deed to Susan E. Wiseman and setting aside and annulling the deed to appellant. This decree is affirmed by the appellate court.

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